

RECOGNIZING MR. ROBERT “BOB”  
MAXWELL

**HON. GREG WALDEN**

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 15, 2017*

Mr. WALDEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize Mr. Robert “Bob” Maxwell of Bend, Oregon for his outstanding military and civilian service to Oregon and our nation.

Mr. Maxwell is well known in veterans circles mostly as a WWII Medal of Honor recipient. He served with the famed 3rd Infantry Division in North Africa, Sicily, Italy and France. During the invasion of Anzio, Italy, he was wounded and acted bravely to earn his first Silver Star and Purple Heart. Shortly after being released from the Army hospital in Naples, he participated in “Operation Dragoon”—the invasion of Southern France during late August, 1944. While protecting his Battalion Headquarters with 3 other soldiers in Besancon, France on September 7, 1944, a German Infantry unit outnumbering his unit 10 to 1 attacked the outpost. Mr. Maxwell hurled his unprotected body on a German hand grenade thrown into their midst. The grenade exploded under Mr. Maxwell, saving the lives of 3 comrades and severely wounding Mr. Maxwell. For his unhesitating valor above and beyond the call of duty, he was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor, a second Silver Star, a second Purple Heart, a Bronze Star and French Croix de Guerre.

Mr. Maxwell was discharged from the U.S. Army and used the “GI Bill” to earn his credentials in Automotive Technology. He worked in that profession for 32 years, teaching at Bend High School, Central Oregon College and Lane Community College. In 1970, he was named one of 5,000 outstanding educators in our nation.

Since his retirement from teaching, “Bob” has served as a Director of the Bend Heroes Foundation, and has co-chaired several veterans projects including the Bend Parade of Flags, Bend Heroes Memorial, the first-of-its-kind WWII Veterans Historic Highway, and the Oregon Medal of Honor Exhibit.

Mr. Maxwell is a passionate promoter of the Congressional Medal of Honor Foundation’s “Character Development Program” now being adopted in Central Oregon schools. As devoted Christians and proponents of higher education, Mr. Maxwell and his late wife Bea initiated the Bob and Bea Maxwell Medal of Honor Scholarship program at Boise Bible College many years ago.

Mr. Maxwell celebrated his 96th birthday on October 26, 2016. He is the oldest surviving recipient of the Medal of Honor, our nation’s highest military award. It has been my privilege and honor to know and have worked with Bob Maxwell for many years.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of a grateful state and country, I wish to honor Mr. Robert D. “Bob” Maxwell for his grand accomplishments over many years.

IN RECOGNITION OF MARGARET  
CRAWFORD FOR HER PIONEERING CAREER WITH LINCOLN  
CONSOLIDATED SCHOOLS

**HON. DEBBIE DINGELL**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mrs. DINGELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Margaret Crawford for her outstanding career with Lincoln Consolidated Schools. As school board member and president for Lincoln Schools, Ms. Crawford worked tirelessly on behalf of the school district’s students and staff.

After graduating from Wayne State University with a degree in Social Work, Ms. Crawford began her career doing case management work for the State of Michigan, eventually transitioning to work in fiscal management for Head Start. She then utilized her management and community service experience to successfully run for a seat on the school board of Lincoln Consolidated Schools. During her time on the school board, Ms. Crawford established a reputation as an effective advocate for the district’s students. As a result of her successes, Ms. Crawford was elected school board president of Lincoln Consolidated Schools, making her the first female and black president in the schools’ history. Additionally, Ms. Crawford later started the non-profit Council for Black Student Achievement, which provided academic assistance and financial support to individuals in need. These initiatives played a critical role in providing impactful aid to the district’s students.

Ms. Crawford’s work with Lincoln Consolidated Schools and in the community has helped empower countless students and improve educational outcomes. In addition to her work with the local school system, Ms. Crawford also partnered with local social and community agencies to support efforts to better serve children in the school district. Her exemplary public service and activism have left a lasting legacy in the community, and it is my hope that Lincoln Consolidated Schools can continue to build on these successes.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Margaret Crawford for her work on behalf of Lincoln Consolidated Schools. Ms. Crawford’s trailblazing career has improved the lives of countless students.

IN RECOGNITION OF KAREN  
CLEVELAND

**HON. BARBARA COMSTOCK**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mrs. COMSTOCK. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize an extraordinary leader, Karen Cleveland, for the incredible impact she has had on individuals, families, and communities in Northern Virginia and to congratulate her on being named Northern Virginia Family Service’s 2017 Community Champion.

Ms. Cleveland’s father, Jim Kelly, was a coach and Athletic Director at the University of Cincinnati, and she and her family not only had a strong grasp for health and wellness, but also for working with others. Accordingly,

after graduating from the University of Cincinnati in 1978, Ms. Cleveland began her career in Fairfax County teaching aerobics. She knew she wanted to engage with her community, which is why she took an executive position in the Fairfax County Chamber of Commerce in 1986. She then had the opportunity, in 1988, to serve as the first Executive Director for Greater Reston Chamber of Commerce, which at the time was a start-up chamber that needed tremendous leadership to grow. At the chamber, she worked to establish business and community relationships, and her efforts included starting initiatives to host awards ceremonies, fundraisers, and more. Additionally, she then went on to serve as the executive vice president of the Association of Sales and Marketing Companies and as the president and CEO of Habitat for Humanity of Northern Virginia.

In 2008, Ms. Cleveland received a certificate in leadership coaching from Georgetown University and then started the Cleveland Coaching Group. As a Leadership Coach, she works with executives and emerging leaders to assist them with their personal growth and development. Now as the president and CEO of Leadership Fairfax, Inc., a community leadership development organization, Ms. Cleveland’s expertise has allowed her to empower other individuals and organizations to expand their businesses and explore new opportunities. She has received numerous impressive awards, including being named the YMCA of Metropolitan DC Volunteer of the Year, receiving the EXCEL Award for Nonprofit Leadership Excellence by the Center for Nonprofit Advancement, and more.

Ms. Cleveland’s dedication to improving and preserving businesses and leaders is evident through her illustrious career of dedication and impressive accomplishments. Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in congratulating Ms. Karen Cleveland on being named Northern Virginia Family Service’s 2017 Community Champion, and I wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

#### SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate of February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

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